

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 98-601

March 10, 1998

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
Proposed Revisions to Electric
Rate Schedule, Interruptible
Service - Winter - Voluntary
(Rate IR-W-VOL)

ORDER APPROVING
REVISIONS TO RATE
SCHEDULE

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and HUNT, Commissioners

SUMMARY OF DECISION

By this Order, we approve Central Maine Power Company's (CMP) proposed revisions to electric rate schedule Interruptible Service - Winter - Voluntary (Rate IR-W-VOL).

DISCUSSION

On February 12, 1998, CMP filed with this Commission proposed revisions to Rate IR-W-VOL.¹

The current availability period under Rate IR-W-VOL for interruption credit is December through March. CMP proposes to revise the availability period for interruptible credit to include the months of November and April. According to CMP, prior to NEPOOL's instituting interim capability responsibility rules CMP did not request its voluntary interruptible customers to curtail load during November and April because it was annual, not monthly peaks that needed to be managed. However, by adding November and April to the Rate IR-W-VOL availability period, CMP will have more flexibility in managing its monthly peaks in order to comply with the regional interim capability responsibility rules.

We have reviewed CMP's proposed revisions to Rate IR-W-VOL. We find the revisions reasonable and that they should take effect as of the date of this Order.

Accordingly, we

¹CMP requested that the Commission review the proposed revision to Rate IR-W-VOL pursuant to Attachment F (as revised) of its Alternative Rate Plan (ARP). However, the filing does not appear to fall specifically under the purview of flexible pricing as allowed under the ARP. Therefore, we have considered the filing pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 307 and Chapter 120 of the MPUC rules.

O R D E R

That CMP's Interruptible Service - Winter - Voluntary (Rate IR-W-VOL), Third Revision to Page 65.00 and Fourth Revision to Page 65.10, filed on February 12, 1998, is effective as of the date of this Order.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 10th day of March, 1998.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch
 Nugent
 Hunt

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2. Appeal of a final decision of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within 30 days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320 (1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 73 et seq.

3. Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320 (5).

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